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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

HAKKASAN LV, LLC, a Nevada
limited liability company,
HAKKASAN LIMITED, a foreign
private limited company,

Plaintiffs,

v.

VIP, UNLTD, LLC, a Nevada limited
liability company, ANDREW
ROCKWELL, an individual,

Defendants.

Case No.: 2:13-cv-1999-JCM-NJK

***EX PARTE* PLAINTIFFS' APPLICATION
FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING
ORDER AND MOTION FOR
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

Plaintiffs, Hakkasan LV, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company and Hakkasan Limited, a foreign private limited company ("Plaintiffs"), by and through their counsel, the law firm of Greenberg Traurig, LLP, hereby move the Court for (1) an *ex parte* temporary restraining order requiring Defendants VIP, UNLTD, LLC ("VIP") and Andrew Rockwell ("Rockwell") (collectively "Defendants") to immediately cease and desist all use of Plaintiffs' names, trademarks and promotional materials on the website <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> the "Infringing Domain Name") on Facebook, and elsewhere; and (2) a preliminary injunction requiring Defendants to

1 immediately cease and desist all use of Plaintiffs' names, trademarks and promotional materials on
 2 the website <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>, on Facebook, and elsewhere; and (3) for an
 3 injunction requiring Defendants to immediately cease claiming an affiliation with the Plaintiffs'
 4 Hakkasan restaurants and nightclubs.

5 This Motion is made pursuant to Rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and is
 6 based upon the attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the Declaration of James
 7 Brucculeri ("Brucculeri Decl."), the Declaration of Lauri S. Thompson ("Thompson Decl."), the
 8 Declaration of Laraine M. I. Burrell, Esq. ("Burrell Decl."), the supporting exhibits attached hereto,
 9 and the papers and pleadings on file herein and any oral argument that this Court may allow.

10 **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS'**
 11 **MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND PRELIMINARY**
INJUNCTION

12 **I. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF GOOD CAUSE IN COMPLIANCE WITH**
 13 **LR 7-5**

14 This Motion is brought under Plaintiffs' claims for violation of the Anti-cybersquatting
 15 Consumer Protection Act (the "ACPA"), trademark infringement, and unfair competition under the
 16 Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 1114 and 1125) and trademark infringement under Nevada law
 17 (collectively, the "Relevant Claims"). Plaintiffs' Motion arises from Defendants' unauthorized use
 18 of the Plaintiffs' marks and Defendants' registration of the Infringing Domain Name.

19 Defendants registered and used in bad faith the Infringing Domain Name
 20 <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>. Defendants are likely to deceive the public into believing
 21 that Defendants are the Plaintiffs, when they are not. Defendants are diluting Plaintiffs' marks and
 22 are wrongfully benefiting and profiting from Plaintiffs' goodwill. Therefore, Plaintiffs seek a
 23 temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction requiring the transfer of the Infringing
 24 Domain Name to Plaintiffs and enjoining Defendants from continuing their infringement of
 25 Plaintiffs' marks during the pendency of this action.

26 Plaintiffs are seeking a temporary restraining order *ex parte* to avoid irreparable injury that
 27 will result if Defendants receive advance notice of Plaintiffs' request. An *ex parte* order will prevent
 28 Defendants from transferring the Infringing Domain Name to other registrars and/or other registrants

during the pendency of this action. As soon as Defendants receive notice of this action, they could easily and nearly instantaneously transfer the registration of the Infringing Domain Name from the current registrar to any number of other registrars located outside the United States as well as to other registrants unwilling to abide by this Court's orders.¹ If this were to occur, Plaintiffs would be deprived of the ability to recover registration of the Infringing Domain Name and the ability to enforce their intellectual property rights. Accordingly, this Court should enter a temporary restraining order directing the Defendants and the Registrar to transfer the Infringing Domain Name to Plaintiffs during the pendency of this action, thereby preventing any further migration of the Infringing Domain Name and the need to file additional lawsuits to chase the Infringing Domain Name in an attempt to recover it.

II. STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. Facts Regarding Plaintiff.

Plaintiff Hakkasan LV, LLC ("Hakkasan LV") is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Hakkasan Limited ("Hakkasan Parent"). See Brucculeri Decl., attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, at ¶ 3. Plaintiff owns and operates Hakkasan, a premier nightclub and restaurant venue located inside the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino on the Las Vegas strip ("Hakkasan Las Vegas"). See id. at ¶ 4. Hakkasan Parent also owns and/or operates, either directly or through its subsidiary companies, several other Hakkasan restaurants around the globe, including Dubai, London, New York, San Francisco and Miami. See id. at ¶ 5.

Hakkasan Las Vegas encompasses approximately 80,000 square feet of restaurant, nightclub and lounge space. See id. at ¶ 6. This venue features a modern Cantonese restaurant headed up by a Michelin-starred chef, a 55,000 square foot nightclub featuring elaborate cocktail lounges and a garden pavilion with a two-story waterfall. See id. In addition, Plaintiff Hakkasan LV has booked some of the most famous DJ's in the world to perform at Hakkasan Las Vegas, including Tiësto,

¹ While registrars who are accredited by the Internet Corporation of Assigned Names and Numbers ("ICANN") are required to subscribe to ICANN's Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy ("UDRP"), which requires the registrar to obey and follow the order of a court of "competent jurisdiction" over the registrant to transfer a domain name, as to those registrars that are not within the jurisdiction of the court or that do not subscribe to the ICANN rules, neither the Lanham Act nor the courts will have any power over them. See UDRP Rule 4, at www.icann.org/udrp/udrp.htm.

1 Calvin Harris, and Steve Aoki. See id.

2 Hakkasan Parent owns the mark HAKKASAN in connection with, among other things,
 3 restaurant, bar and nightclub services. See id. at ¶ 7. In particular, Hakkasan Parent owns a federal
 4 trademark registration (U.S. Reg. No. 3,789,248) for HAKKASAN for bar and restaurant services
 5 and a pending trademark application (U.S. Ser. No. 85/928057) for nightclubs, nightclub services in
 6 the nature of reservation and booking services for the purpose of arranging for admission to
 7 nightclubs, and related services (the “HAKKASAN Marks”). See id. at ¶ 7. Plaintiff Hakkasan LV
 8 is a licensee of the HAKKASAN Marks in connection with its ownership and operation of Hakkasan
 9 Las Vegas. See id. at ¶ 8. Neither Hakkasan Parent’s federal trademark registration nor its pending
 10 trademark application has been abandoned, canceled or revoked. See id. at ¶ 9.

11 Since opening the original HAKKASAN in 2001 and its first US location in 2009, Hakkasan
 12 Parent and its predecessors-in-interest, have used the HAKKASAN Marks in connection with
 13 advertising and promoting its restaurants in the United States and around the world. As a licensee of
 14 the HAKKASAN Marks, Plaintiff Hakkasan LV has used the HAKKASAN Marks to promote its
 15 Las Vegas restaurant and nightclub services in the United States and around the world since 2012.
 16 See id. at ¶ 10.

17 The HAKKASAN name and mark is an internationally recognized and respected name in the
 18 restaurant and nightlife industry. See id. at ¶ 11. Plaintiff Hakkasan LV has spent millions of
 19 dollars to advertise and promote the HAKKASAN Marks in print, broadcast media and on the
 20 Internet through its website, accessible throughout the United States and around the world at
 21 <hakkasanlv.com>. See id. at ¶ 12. A true and correct copy of the home page for Plaintiff Hakkasan
 22 LV’s website is attached hereto as **Exhibit 2**. In addition, Plaintiff Hakkasan LV has made
 23 extensive use of the HAKKASAN Marks on, among other things, signage, billboards and
 24 promotional materials. See Brucculeri Decl. at ¶ 13.

25 Based on its federal trademark registration, pending federal trademark application and
 26 extensive use, Hakkasan Parent owns the exclusive right to use its HAKKASAN Marks in
 27 connection with restaurant, bar, nightclub and related services. See id. at ¶ 14. As a licensee of the
 28 HAKKASAN Marks, Plaintiff Hakkasan LV is entitled to the exclusive right to use the

1 HAKKASAN Marks in connection with Hakkasan Las Vegas to promote its restaurant, bar and
2 nightclub services and is entitled to enforce its rights against Defendants. See id. at ¶ 15. The
3 uniqueness of Hakkasan Las Vegas, along with the extensive advertising and promotion of Hakkasan
4 Las Vegas have resulted in the HAKKASAN name and mark being distinctive and famous for bar,
5 restaurant and nightclub services. See id. at ¶ 16.

6 **B. Facts Regarding Defendant.**

7 Upon information and belief, on or about February 26th, 2013, Defendants registered the
8 domain name <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> with Register.com. See Whois record for
9 <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**. Sometime in March 2013,
10 Defendants created a website linked to the domain name <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>.
11 The website claims that it is “your source for the most up to date developments about your favorite
12 Vegas mega-club”. See Print out from <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> dated 9/19/13,
13 attached hereto as **Exhibit 4**. The website contains the Plaintiffs’ federally registered trademark and
14 logo, together with images and other materials stolen directly from the Plaintiffs’ own nightclub
15 website. Eggregiously, Defendants claim they own the copyrights in the materials portrayed on the
16 infringing website including Plaintiffs’ images, information, and other materials. See Exhibit 4.

17 The Defendants’ infringing website also has a page for VIP Reservations under the
18 HAKKASAN name and logo seeking personal information about the customer. See VIP
19 Reservations page print out from <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> dated 9/19/13, attached
20 hereto as **Exhibit 5**. The manner in which defendants portray their business on this website is that
21 they are authorized to offer services to the public on behalf of the Hakkasan Las Vegas Nightclub,
22 when they are not. See Exhibit 5.

23 Upon information and belief, since at least as early as March 2013 Defendants have
24 knowingly and willfully offered for sale and sold counterfeit services, including access to the
25 Hakkasan Las Vegas nightclub, VIP, bottle, and event services, in wrongful and unauthorized
26 association with the HAKKASAN Marks on Defendants’ infringing website at
27 <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>.

Defendant, Rockwell, also has a Facebook page on which he promotes his VIP services. Upon information and belief, Rockwell may have additional pages on similar social networking sites. See, print out from the Facebook page of Andrew Rockwell, attached hereto as **Exhibit 6**.

The statements concerning the Defendants on <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> are false. Defendants are **not** authorized to sell tickets, VIP, bottle services or any services to the public on behalf of the Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs' own website at <www.hakkasanlv.com> clearly states the following:

Important Ticketing and Entry Information

- Hakkasan guarantees that all tickets purchased directly from Hakkasan including Ticket Driver are authentic.
- We do not guarantee the authenticity of tickets purchased from another source unless they are an approved ticketing vendor by Hakkasan.
- Approved ticketing vendors include Wantickets.com and Vegas.com.

See print Out from Plaintiffs' website <www.hakkasanlv.com> attached hereto as **Exhibit 7**.

Defendants are not an authorized vendor of Hakkasan Las Vegas tickets and services, nor are Defendants authorized to use the HAKKASAN Marks in any way. Defendants are not authorized promoters for the Plaintiffs' nightclub nor were they given permission to take images, videos or any information from the Plaintiffs' website and post onto their site at <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>.

Upon information and belief, Defendants' business VIP UNLTD, LLC's ability to do business in Nevada has been revoked. See, Nevada Secretary of State print out for VIP UNLTD, LLC, attached hereto as **Exhibit 8**. Also, upon information and belief, Defendants are not licensed through the city, or county to do business in Las Vegas, Nevada.

In mid-September 2013, Plaintiffs became aware of Defendants' fraudulent claims concerning their alleged affiliation with the Hakkasan Las Vegas club. Importantly, Plaintiffs were concerned that Defendants were fraudulently inducing members of the public to pay them money to use their services believing they were purchasing authentic tickets and services for the famous Hakkasan Las Vegas when in reality they were not. On September 19, 2013, counsel for the Plaintiffs sent the Defendants a cease and desist letter concerning the Defendants' trademark infringement and other wrongful conduct, and demanded they immediately cease use of the Plaintiffs

1 trademarks, and to remove all content concerning the Hakkasan Las Vegas Nightclub from
2 their website. The letter was sent to the contact information provided in the Whois record for
3 <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com>. See Declaration of Lauri S. Thompson, ¶ 3 (“Thompson
4 Decl.”); and September 19, 2013 letter from Lauri Thompson, Esq., attached hereto as **Exhibit 9**.

5 In response to the letter, the defendant, Rockwell, telephoned Ms. Thompson and stated he
6 was not going to cease use of the <www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com> domain name in relation to a
7 website concerning the Plaintiffs’ nightclub. See Thompson Declaration at ¶ 4.

8 Upon information and belief, if the Defendants do have a legitimate business (contrary to the
9 records showing they do not), offering VIP services in Las Vegas, Defendants do not need to use the
10 HAKKASAN name and mark to promote those services. This is, in fact, proven by Defendants
11 having another website for their business under the domain name <www.vip-unltd.com>

12 Defendants’ claims are intentionally fraudulent and intended to dupe the public into believing
13 they have the connections and cachet in Las Vegas to provide the services they claim they can
14 provide at the Plaintiffs’ world-renowned nightclub, when they do not. Upon information and belief,
15 Defendants exaggerates their prowess as promoters to induce the public into paying them large sums
16 of money for events, VIP and bottle services in connection with the Hakkasan Las Vegas nightclub.
17 These services can range from the many hundreds if not thousands of dollars per person.

18 The counterfeit services offered by Defendants in connection with their unauthorized use and
19 duplication of the HAKKASAN Marks are not the genuine services of Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs did not
20 license or approve of Defendants’ use of HAKKASAN Marks in any way, and Plaintiffs have not
21 approved of Defendants’ sale of the services on their website in false association with the
22 HAKKASAN Marks.

23 Defendants’ unauthorized use of the HAKKASAN Marks on or in connection with the
24 advertising, marketing, offering for sale and sale of Defendants’ counterfeit services is likely to
25 cause confusion, or to cause mistake or to deceive. Defendants are wrongfully using the Plaintiffs’
26 famous name and mark, and world-renowned reputation for their own commercial and financial
27 benefit.
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1 If the public purchases tickets and services from the Defendants believing they are authorized
 2 promoters of the Hakkasan Las Vegas nightclub, and believing that the tickets and services they
 3 purchase are authentic, they are likely to be harmed after paying the Defendants large sums of
 4 money for services which cannot be authorized by the Plaintiffs. In the event members of the public
 5 lose money because they purchased counterfeit Hakkasan services from the Defendants, the public
 6 may blame the Plaintiffs and hold Plaintiffs' responsible when those services are not provided.

7 By using Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN name and trademark on their website and for their
 8 services, Defendants were and are attempting to trade on the goodwill of Plaintiffs. By using
 9 Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN name and trademark on their website, Defendants were and are attempting
 10 to create an association between their nightclub promotion services and those offered under the
 11 Plaintiffs' famous trademarks.

12 **C. Factual Background Regarding the Internet and Domain Names.**

13 Every web site on the World Wide Web of the Internet has a unique numerical address called
 14 an Internet Protocol address, comprised of four numbers ranging from 1 to 255, separated by
 15 decimals, such as 137.34.23.198. See e.g., America Online, Inc. v. Huang, 106 F. Supp. 2d 848,
 16 850-53 (E.D. Va. 2000). In response to the consideration that most individual users would have
 17 difficulty remembering strings of numbers, the domain name system ("DNS") was developed to
 18 make the World Wide Web more user friendly. The DNS associates a unique alphanumeric name,
 19 the "domain name," with each Internet Protocol address. See id.; Sporty's Farm L.L.C. v.
 20 Sportsman's Market, Inc., 202 F.3d 489, 492-93 (2d Cir. 2000).

21 Domain names are comprised of a letter string of up to 26 letters, known as a second-level
 22 domain ("SLD"), followed by a period (referred to in the pejorative as a "dot"), which is then
 23 followed by a generic top-level domain ("TLD"). See America Online, 106 F. Supp.2d at 850-53.
 24 TLDs include ".com," intended for commercial use, ".net" for networks, ".org" for non-profit
 25 organizations, and ".gov" for governmental entities, among several others. Significantly, the ".com"
 26 TLD, as well as several other TLDs, is an open domain, such that anyone can register a domain
 27 name in the ".com" TLD without oversight by the registrar.
 28

1 Most businesses strongly prefer to create domain names for their web sites that couple the
2 .com TLD with an SLD comprised of their distinctive trademark. See Sporty's Farm, 202 F.3d at
3 493. For example, Microsoft's web site is located at <microsoft.com>, and the Coca-Cola
4 Company's web site is located at <coke.com>. However, there is no equivalent of the telephone
5 book or directory assistance on the Internet. Therefore, consumers must intuitively locate a
6 particular company's web site and, usually, guess that the company's web site is the same as its
7 name. See Panavision Int'l, L.P. v. Toeppen, 141 F.3d 1316, 1327 (9th Cir. 1998). If a consumer
8 cannot find a particular company's web site through this intuitive process, he will become
9 discouraged and may fail to continue to search for a company's own web site. See id.
10 Consequently, there is an inherent value attached to domain names that incorporate a company's
11 trademark or marks confusingly similar to a company's trademark, such as a common misspelling.

12 Domain names are registered on a first-come, first-served basis. See e.g., Network Solutions,
13 Inc. v. Umbro Int'l, Inc., 529 S.E. 2d 80, 84-85 (Va. 2000). The process for obtaining a domain
14 name is rather mechanical. An individual interested in registering a domain name must contact one
15 of the official registrars for domain names, such as Network Solutions, Inc. If the desired domain
16 name has not been registered, then the user may register or reserve the domain name for a fee. See
17 id. However, there is no oversight process to ensure that the person or entity registering the domain
18 name has any right to use the name, or to ensure that the domain name does not match a trademark
19 held by someone other than the registrant. See id.

20 As a result of the fact that anyone can register any domain name as long as it is not already
21 registered, many businesses attempt to register domain names based on their trademarks and,
22 unfortunately, discover that the domain name employing their trademark has already been registered
23 by another. In many cases, the domain names are registered by individuals or businesses who then
24 attempt to sell the domain name employing the trademark back to the trademark owner. See Virtual
25 Works, Inc. v. Volkswagen of Am., Inc., 238 F.3d 264, 267 (4th Cir. 2001). This conduct is referred
26 to as "cyberpiracy" or "cybersquatting." See id.

27 Unlike a traditional trademark dispute, where identical marks can be used by multiple parties
28 (e.g., *United Airlines* and *United Van Lines*), only one party can register a domain name. See

1 Victoria's Cyber Secret, Ltd. v. V. Secret Catalogue, Inc., 161 F.Supp.2d 1339, 1351 (S.D. Fla.
 2 2001). Thus, the slight differences between domain names and registered marks, such as
 3 misspellings or the addition of minor or generic words to the disputed domain names are irrelevant
 4 to the cybersquatting analysis. See id.

5 **III. LEGAL ARGUMENT**

6 Plaintiffs are entitled to an *ex parte* temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction
 7 directing the Registrar to transfer and place on hold the Infringing Domain Name pending trial.
 8 Plaintiffs are also entitled to a preliminary injunction transferring the Infringing Domain Name and
 9 enjoining Defendants from further registration or use of the Infringing Domain Name for the
 10 pendency of the litigation.

11 To obtain a preliminary injunction, Plaintiffs must show that: (1) they will suffer irreparable
 12 harm if injunctive relief is not granted; (2) they are likely to succeed on the merits; (3) the balance of
 13 equities tips in favor of the moving party; and (4) granting the injunction is in the public interest.
 14 See Stanley v. University of Southern California, 13 F.3d 1313, 1319 (9th Cir. 1994). Alternatively,
 15 this Court may issue injunctive relief if it finds: (1) a combination of probable success on the merits
 16 and the possibility of irreparable injury if relief is not granted, or (2) the existence of serious
 17 questions going to the merits and that the balance of hardships tips sharply in its favor. See
 18 GoTo.com, Inc. v. Walt Disney Co., 202 F.3d 1199, 1205 (9th Cir. 2000). A "serious question" is
 19 one for which the moving party has a "fair chance" of success on the merits. See Stanley, 13 F.3d at
 20 1319. In the instant case, Plaintiffs are entitled to a temporary restraining order and preliminary
 21 injunction under either test.

22 **A. Plaintiffs Will Suffer Irreparable Injury if the Court Does Not Grant** 23 **Preliminary Injunctive Relief.**

24 A party seeking injunctive relief under Fed. R. Civ. P. 65 must demonstrate irreparable harm,
 25 meaning that "money damages alone will not suffice to restore the moving party to its rightful
 26 position." Clark Pacific v. Krump Constr., Inc., 942 F.Supp. 1324, 1346 (D. Nev. 1996). In cases
 27 involving mark infringement or mark dilution, it is well settled that irreparable harm is presumed.
 28 See GoTo.com, 202 F.3d at 1209; Toys "R" Us, Inc. v. Akkaoui, 40 U.S.P.Q.2d 1836 (N.D. Cal.

1 1996).

2 Generally, in cases involving intellectual property infringement, where a likelihood of
3 success on the merits is demonstrated, not only is irreparable harm presumed, but preliminary
4 injunction **must issue**. See Candence Design Sys. Inc. v. Avant! Corp., 125 F.3d 824, 827 (9th Cir.
5 1997). Any other elemental analysis is unnecessary. See id. Therefore, upon a showing of success
6 on the merits of the Relevant Claims, Plaintiffs will have met their burden in establishing irreparable
7 harm and will be entitled to injunctive relief.

8 **B. Plaintiffs Are Highly Likely to Succeed on the Merits.**

9 Plaintiffs' success on the merits is probable with respect to each of the Relevant Claims.
10 However, Plaintiffs are only required to demonstrate a probability of success on any one of the
11 Relevant Claims to be entitled to the relief requested.

12 (1) Plaintiffs Are Likely to Succeed on the Merits of Their Anti-Cybersquatting
13 Claim.

14 Plaintiffs are likely to succeed on the merits of their claim under the Anti-Cybersquatting
15 protection Act (the "ACPA"). That Act provides, in pertinent part:

16 [A] person shall be liable in a civil action by the owner of a mark . . . if, without
17 regard to the goods or services of the parties, that person –

18 (i) has a **bad faith intent** to profit from that mark . . .; and

19 (ii) registers, traffics in, or uses a domain name that –

20 (I) in the case of a mark that is **distinctive** at the time of the registration
21 of the domain name, is **identical or confusingly similar** to that mark;
[or]

22 (II) in the case of a famous mark that is **famous** at the time of registration
23 of the domain name, is **identical or confusingly similar** to that mark.
24 ...

25 15 U.S.C. § 1125(d)(1)(A) (emphasis added). Thus, Defendants are liable under the ACPA if they
26 have a bad faith intent to profit from registering, trafficking in or using as a domain name a mark
27 that is either identical or confusingly similar to a distinctive mark or identical, confusingly similar or
28 dilutive of a famous mark. The fact that Defendants have registered the Infringing Domain Name

1 with no apparent right to the HAKKASAN Marks strongly indicates Defendants intend to traffic in
2 the domain names and profit from such trafficking.

3 First, Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN Marks are famous and entitled to protection. Plaintiffs'
4 trademarks are **arbitrary trademarks** because they do not suggest the goods and services offered.²
5 See Entrepreneur Media, Inc. v. Smith, 279 F.3d 1135, 1141 n. 2 (9th Cir. 2002). Alternatively,
6 Plaintiffs' marks are **suggestive trademarks** because they "require imagination, thought or
7 perception to link the trademark with the goods offered."³ Interstellar Starship Services, 304 F.3d at
8 943 n.6. Generally, arbitrary and suggestive trademarks "receive automatic protection because of
9 their inherent distinctiveness." Id.

10 Courts consider several factors in assessing whether a person has the requisite "bad faith
11 intent" to profit from the mark, as defined by the ACPA, including but not limited to:

- 12 (I) the trademark or other intellectual property rights of the person, if
13 any, in the domain name;
- 14 (II) the extent to which the domain name consists of the legal name of
15 the person or a name that is otherwise commonly used to identify
16 that person;
- 17 (III) the person's prior use, if any, of the domain name in connection
18 with the bona fide offering of any goods or services;
- 19 (IV) the person's bona fide noncommercial or fair use of the mark in a
20 site accessible under the domain name;
- 21 (V) the person's intent to divert consumers from the mark owner's
22 online location to a site assessable under the domain name that
23 could harm the goodwill represented by the mark, either for
24 commercial gain with the intent to tarnish or disparage the mark,
25 by creating a likelihood of confusion as to the source,
26 sponsorship, affiliation or endorsement of the site;
- 27 (VI) the person's offer to transfer, sell or otherwise assign the domain
28 name to the mark owner or any third party for financial gain
without having used, or having an intent to use, the domain name

26 ² For example, the use of "Amazon" as an online bookstore is an arbitrary trademark. See Interstellar Starship Services,
27 Ltd. v. Epix, Inc., 304 F.3d 936, 943 n. 6 (9th Cir. 2002).

28 ³ For example, the use of "Roach Motel" for insect traps is a suggestive trademark. See Interstellar Starship Services,
304 F.3d at 943 n. 6.

in the bona fide offering of any goods or services, or the person's prior conduct indicating a pattern of such conduct;

(VII) the person's provision of material and misleading false contact information when applying for the registration of the domain name, the person's intentional failure to maintain accurate contact information, or the person's prior conduct indicating a pattern of such conduct;

(VIII) the person's registration or acquisition of multiple domain names which the person knows are identical or confusingly similar to marks of others that are distinctive at the time of registration of such domain names, without regard to the goods or services of the parties; and

(IX) the extent to which the mark incorporated in the person's domain name registration is or is not distinctive and famous. . . .

15 U.S.C. § 1125 (d)(1)(B). A court is **"not limited to considering just the listed factors** when making [its] determination of whether the statutory criterion has been met. The factors are, instead, expressly described as indicia that 'may' be considered along with other factors." Sporty's Farm, 202 F.3d at 498 (emphasis added).

In applying these factors, it is clear that Plaintiffs will be able to demonstrate Defendants' bad faith intent: (1) Defendants have no trademark rights in the registered domain name at issue; (2) the domain name at issue does not contain any of Defendants' legal names; (3) Defendants apparently made no use of the marks contained in the domain name at issue prior to registering the domain name; (4) Defendants have not made any *bona fide* noncommercial or fair use of the domain name at issue; (5) by using marks identical or confusingly similar to Plaintiffs' famous trademarks in the domain name for their infringing site, Defendants intend to divert consumers from Plaintiffs' web site and to create a likelihood of confusion as to the source, sponsorship, affiliation or endorsement of Defendants' domain name which will undoubtedly harm the goodwill and reputation created by the Plaintiffs' trademarks; and (6) the mark contained in the domain name at issue is confusingly similar to Plaintiffs' distinctive HAKKASAN trademark, as discussed below. At least six of the nine factors clearly weigh in favor of finding that Defendants had the requisite bad faith intent to profit from the registration of a domain name that is confusingly similar to Plaintiffs' trademark.

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2 Plaintiffs also satisfy the second element of their claim under the ACPA. The domain name
3 registered by Defendants is either identical or confusingly similar to the HAKKASAN trademark.
4 The Infringing Domain Name strongly resembles Plaintiffs' trademark and in fact, encompasses the
5 entirety of Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN mark. Accordingly, Defendants' domain name satisfies the
6 "identical or confusingly similar" test of the ACPA. Consumers throughout the world are aware that
7 Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN trademark is associated with bar, restaurant and nightclub services.
8 Therefore, this Court should issue a temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction to
9 protect Plaintiffs' prior and exclusive rights in the marks based upon the probable success of
10 Plaintiffs' ACPA claim against Defendants.

11 (2) Plaintiffs Are Likely to Succeed on the Merits of Their Trademark
12 Infringement and Unfair Competition Claims.

13 To succeed on the merits of their trademark infringement or unfair competition claims under
14 the Lanham Act, Plaintiffs must establish that Defendants' use of Plaintiffs' marks causes a
15 likelihood of confusion among the consuming public. See 15 U.S.C. § 1114(a); Metro Publishing
16 Ltd. v. San Jose Mercury News, 987 F.2d 637, 640 (9th Cir. 1993). Such confusion can occur when
17 the infringer's sole action was the registering of an infringing domain name. See Green Prods. Co.
18 v. Independence Corn By-Prods. Co., 992 F.Supp. 1070, 1080 (N.D. Iowa 1997) (holding that the
19 mere domain name registration of a competitor's mark resulted in a likelihood of confusion). In fact,
20 Defendants' intent to deceive the public by adopting Plaintiffs' names and marks to lure consumers
21 into providing their personal information to obtain bottle service and guest list priority at Hakkasan
22 Las Vegas creates a presumption of confusion. See Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences
23 v. Creative House Promotions, 944 F.2d 1446, 1456 (9th Cir. 1991). See also Lozano Enterprise v.
24 La Opinion Publishing Co., 44 U.S.P.Q.2d 1764, 1767 (C.D. Cal. 1997), quoting Opticians Ass'n v.
25 Independent Opticians, 920 F.2d 187, 193 (3d Cir. 1990) (holding that a defendant's use of marks
26 identical to the plaintiff's marks for competitive services renders the confusion test under 15 U.S.C.
27 § 1114 "open and shut"). Plaintiffs are entitled to injunctive relief based upon Defendants'
28 infringing use.

Even without the presumption of confusion, Plaintiffs can demonstrate that there is a likelihood of confusion between their marks and Defendants' registered Infringing Domain Name. Generally, the likelihood of confusion between two marks is determined through the application of an eight-factor test, although not all factors must be considered. See AMF Inc. v. Sleekcraft Boats, et al., 599 F.2d 341, 348-49 (9th Cir. 1979) (identifying the eight factor test); Apple Computer, Inc. v. Formula Int'l, Inc., 725 F.2d 521, 526 (9th Cir. 1984) (holding that trial courts are not required to consider all factors). In GoTo.com, 202 F.3d at 1205, 1207, the Ninth Circuit found that, in the context of the Internet, only three of the eight Sleekcraft factors need to be addressed: (1) the similarity of the marks; (2) the relatedness of the goods or services; and (3) the simultaneous use of the Web as a marketing channel. See id. Plaintiffs meet all three of these factors. There is a likelihood of confusion in the instant case because the Infringing Domain Name is virtually identical to Plaintiffs' marks, and the services offered on the website linked to the Infringing Domain Name are directly related to the restaurant and nightclub services provided under Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN Marks, and Plaintiffs and Defendants are simultaneously using the Internet as a marketing channel.

(a) The Marks are Identical or Extremely Similar.

Plaintiffs' marks and Defendants' Infringing Domain Name are identical or extremely similar. Similarity of marks is tested on three separate levels: sight, sound and meaning, with similarities given greater weight than differences. See Plough, Inc. v. Kreis Labs, 314 F.2d 635, 638 (9th Cir. 1963); Esso Standard Oil Co. v. Sun Oil Co., 97 U.S.App.D.C. 154, 157, 229 F.2d 37, 40, cert. denied, 351 U.S. 973 (1956). However, generic or common descriptive words or text used in connection with a mark cannot be considered in a sight, sound and meaning analysis. See Paccar, Inc. v. TeleScan Technologies, LLC, 319 F.3d 243, 252 (6th Cir. 2003), citing Instruct-O-Matic Corp. v. Inductotherm Corp., 747 F.2d 358, 363 (6th Cir. 1984) (stating that "[d]escriptive letters, syllables, or phrases are not considered in determining whether two marks are similar"). See also Alpha Indus., Inc. v. Alpha Steel Tube & Shapes, Inc., 616 F.2d 440, 444 n. 1 (9th Cir. 1980) (confirming that the Ninth Circuit does not consider descriptive text in determining similarity of marks).

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2 Defendants' Infringing Domain Name contains the entirety of Plaintiffs' mark and also
3 includes the term "Vegas," the very location of Plaintiffs' Hakkasan venue. Defendants use the text
4 of the Infringing Domain Name for the same purpose and manner as Plaintiffs' uses of their marks,
5 and the text is either identical or extremely similar in sight, sound and meaning to Plaintiff's marks.

6 **(b) Defendants' Goods and Services are Identical to Plaintiffs' Goods and Services.**

7 The goods and services used in connection with the Infringing Domain Name are, at a
8 minimum, related if not identical to the services provided by Plaintiffs under their marks. Plaintiffs
9 offer bar, restaurant, nightclub and related services under the HAKKASAN Marks, and Defendants'
10 Infringing Domain Name invites users to submit personal information to request bottle service and
11 obtain priority on the guest list at Hakkasan Las Vegas. Thus, users visiting the Infringing Domain
12 Name are led to believe that Plaintiffs are somehow affiliated with or sponsoring Defendants'
13 services. The unique nature of the Internet significantly increases the likelihood of confusion of the
14 source of the goods and services offered in connection with similar marks. See GoTo.com, 202 F.3d
15 at 1207.

16 However, even if Defendants utilized the Infringing Domain Name to offer goods and
17 services wholly different from those offered by Plaintiffs, Defendants would still be creating a
18 likelihood of confusion between the Infringing Domain Name and the web sites to which it is linked,
19 and Plaintiffs' marks. The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit found in GoTo.com
20 that "the use of remarkably similar trademarks on different websites creates a likelihood of
21 confusion amongst web users" even when the goods and services are not identical in nature. 202
22 F.3d at 1207. In fact, even the mere registration of the Infringing Domain Name is sufficient to
23 create a likelihood of confusion. See Green Prods. Co., 992 F.Supp. at 1079 (stating that
24 "[d]efendant's domain name and home page address are external labels that, on their face, cause
25 confusion among Internet users and may cause Internet users who seek plaintiff's web site to expend
26 time and energy accessing defendant's web site").

27 Accordingly, any use on the Internet by Defendants of the Infringing Domain Name or
28 Plaintiffs' marks would create a likelihood of confusion with those marks, even if Defendants' use

1 was not similar in nature. In the present case, however, the goods and services are not merely
 2 deemed similar because they were provided in connection with the Internet, the goods and services
 3 are essentially the same, further increasing the likelihood of confusion and mandating remediation.

4 **(c) The Marketing Channels Are the Same.**

5 There can be no doubt that Plaintiffs and Defendants are simultaneously using the Internet as
 6 a channel of trade. Plaintiffs use the Internet to advertise the services offered under their marks,
 7 including bar, restaurant and nightclub services. Defendants' use of the Internet makes it possible
 8 for them to divert consumers searching for the Plaintiffs' web site to Defendants' web site, which
 9 utilizes the Infringing Domain Name.

10 The fact that the marketing channels are the same increases the likelihood of confusion for
 11 consumers. See Sleekcraft, 599 F.2d at 353. Moreover, the Internet as a marketing channel is
 12 "particularly susceptible to a likelihood of confusion." See GoTo.com, 202 F.3d at 1207. Finally,
 13 domain names on their face cause consumer confusion because consumers expending time and
 14 energy to access one website may be diverted to another's website. See Green Prods. Co., 992
 15 F.Supp. at 1077.

16 Therefore, it is very probable that Plaintiffs will prevail on their trademark infringement and
 17 unfair competition claims under the Lanham Act. Plaintiffs are the owner of their marks with prior
 18 and exclusive rights, including, but not limited to, the right to exclude Defendants from using their
 19 marks. Defendants' use of the Infringing Domain Name and Plaintiffs' marks causes a likelihood of
 20 confusion, and Plaintiffs are entitled to a temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction.

21 (3) Plaintiffs Are Likely to Succeed on the Merits of Their Common Law
 22 Trademark Infringement Claim.

23 Plaintiffs will likely succeed on the merits of their mark infringement claim against
 24 Defendants under Nevada common law. To show common law mark infringement, Plaintiffs need
 25 only show: (a) that Plaintiffs are the owner of a protectable right in the marks, and (b) that
 26 Defendants' registration of the Infringing Domain Name is likely to "confuse, cause mistake or
 27 deceive an 'appreciable number' of reasonable customers" with respect to the marks. A.L.M.N., Inc.
 28 v. Rosoff, 757 P.2d 1319, 1321 (Nev. 1988).

(a) Plaintiffs Have Protectable Rights in Their Marks.

As discussed above, Plaintiffs have protectable rights in and to the HAKKASAN trademark based upon the federal registration of the mark and based upon the exclusive and continuous use of the mark before or since the opening of Hakkasan Las Vegas.

(b) Defendants' Use of the Infringing Domain Name is Likely to Cause Confusion with Plaintiffs' Marks.

Defendants' use of the Infringing Domain Name is likely to "confuse, cause mistake or deceive an 'appreciable number' of reasonable customers." See Rosoff, 757 P.2d at 1323. To determine the likelihood of confusion between similar marks, the Supreme Court of Nevada has adopted a seven factor test consisting of: (i) similarity of marks; (ii) similarity of services; (iii) marketing channels used; (iv) evidence of actual confusion; (v) strength of the mark; (vi) junior user's intent in adopting the mark; and (vii) degree of care likely to be exercised by the purchaser. Id. at 1324.

Plaintiffs have already demonstrated the applicability of factors (i), (ii), (iii), (v), (vi) and (vii) in the discussion above. See Sections III.A, III.B(1), and III.B(2), supra. With regard to the fourth factor, courts do not require proof of actual confusion to find a likelihood of confusion. See e.g., Drexel Enters., Inc. v. Hermitage Cabinet Shop, Inc., 266 F. Supp. 532, 537 (N.D.Ga. 1967). Plaintiffs have not as yet found it necessary to engage in the expense of conducting surveys to identify actual confusion but reserves the right to do so, as the longer the Infringing Domain Name is permitted to divert customers from Plaintiffs' website, the greater the likelihood of actual confusion.

Plaintiffs' probable success, therefore, on its common law mark infringement claim is very high. As Plaintiffs are the owner and licensee of strong marks with prior, continuing and exclusive rights in connection with use of the HAKKASAN Marks to promote Hakkasan Las Vegas and as Defendants' use of the Infringing Domain Name and the marks causes a likelihood of confusion under Nevada law, this Court should issue a temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction to preserve Plaintiffs' rights in and to its marks.

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C. Plaintiffs Have Raised Serious Questions as to the Merits, and the Hardships Balance in Favor of Plaintiffs

Even if Plaintiffs' success on the merits of the Relevant Claims, as discussed above, was not probable, Plaintiffs would be entitled to the injunctive relief requested upon a showing that there are serious questions as to the merits of Plaintiffs' claims and that the balance of hardships weigh in Plaintiffs' favor. See A&M Records, Inc. v. Napster, Inc., 239 F.3d 1004, 1013 (9th Cir. 2001) (citation omitted).

The first prong of this alternative test requires a far lower showing than probable success on the merits. All that need be shown is the mere existence of serious questions as to the merits of Plaintiffs' claims. See A&M, 239 F.3d at 1025 (where the first prong of the alternative test was met by the mere raising of meritorious issues that were the subject of the claims alleged). Plaintiffs meet this prong as they have raised serious questions going to the merits of the Relevant Claims. These serious questions include, without limitation, all of the elements of each of the Relevant Claims upon which Plaintiffs have demonstrated probable success. See id. (where the serious questions raised were merely elements of the claims for which the plaintiffs were seeking injunctive relief). As these serious questions have already been raised in the above probable success analysis, they need not be repeated here.

Further, the hardships strongly balance in favor of Plaintiffs. Issuance of the injunction would merely require Defendants to stop using identical or confusingly similar names or marks. Defendants are permitted to register other, non-infringing domain names to provide consumers with access to their nightlife services.

In contrast, by failing to issue the injunction, Defendants would be allowed to continue generating business by virtue of Plaintiffs' famous trademarks. Moreover, the continued use would also cause the dilution and tarnishment of Plaintiffs' names and marks. Plaintiffs would continue to suffer a loss of control over their goodwill and reputation, over which Defendants now exercise a disconcerting amount of worldwide control through the Internet.

Finally, issuance of the injunction will maintain the status quo. "[T]he status quo is the last uncontested status which preceded the pending controversy." Tanner Motor Livery, Ltd. v. Avis, Inc., 316 F.2d 804, 809 (9th Cir. 1963), cert denied, 375 U.S. 821 (1963). Defendants' acts

1 referenced in Plaintiffs' Complaint began occurring around February 2013, became known to
 2 Plaintiffs as infringing acts around September 2013, and continue to the present. Accordingly, an
 3 injunction would merely return the parties to the status quo that existed a couple of months ago,
 4 before Defendants began using the HAKKASAN Marks to solicit users' personal information by
 5 promising bottle service and guest list priority at Hakkasan Las Vegas.

6 **D. Protection of Consumers Weighs in Favor of Injunctive Relief.**

7 The primary goal of trademark law is to protect consumers against deception. See Lozano,
 8 44 U.S.P.Q.2d at 1769, citing International Order of Job's Daughters v. Lindeburg & Co., 633 F.2d
 9 912, 918 (9th Cir. 1980). In this instance, the consequences of consumer deception are potentially
 10 very grave.

11 As long as Defendants are permitted to use Plaintiffs' HAKKASAN Marks to lure consumers
 12 into providing personal information on Defendants' website for the purpose of obtaining VIP
 13 services at Hakkasan Las Vegas, consumers will continue to be deceived into believing that
 14 Defendants' services are sponsored by or affiliated with Hakkasan Las Vegas. In other words,
 15 consumers will falsely believe that they will be safe giving away their personal information because
 16 there is some association with Plaintiffs' restaurant and nightclub. Because there is a chance that
 17 consumers' personal information will not be safe when given to Defendants, it is imperative that
 18 consumers not be led into believing that they are dealing with Plaintiffs' reputable business, when, in
 19 fact, they are not.

20 **E. This Court Should Only Require Nominal Security.**

21 In the event that the Court requires that a bond or other security be posted by Plaintiffs, Plaintiffs
 22 request that the Court set an amount that is no greater than \$100. Plaintiffs are well established in
 23 Nevada. During the pendency of this litigation, Defendants would not suffer from having the
 24 registration for the Infringing Domain Name maintained with Register.com (registrar) for the
 25 pendency of the litigation.

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F. In Addition to the Notice Requirements of Rules 4 and 5 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Notice Should be Permitted Via E-Mail.

Plaintiffs request that this Court permit service of the summons, complaint, motion, temporary restraining order and notice of the hearing on the preliminary injunction by e-mail, in addition to effectuating service as mandated by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and 5. Otherwise, a just, speedy and inexpensive determination of the preliminary injunction cannot be achieved. See Fed. R. Civ. P.

1. Under the Registrar's terms and conditions, and pursuant to UDRP rules, a registrant must provide a current email address in the domain name WHOIS information. Defendants have provided an email address.

If the Court grants Plaintiffs' request for a temporary restraining order, the order will only remain in effect for ten (10) days and the hearing on the preliminary injunction must occur "at the earliest possible time" prior to the expiration of the temporary restraining order. Fed. R. Civ. P. 65(b). The process of serving the Defendants with the summons, complaint, motion, temporary restraining order and order for hearing on the preliminary injunction could exceed the ten (10) day period and, most likely, not afford Defendants timely notice of the temporary restraining order and the preliminary injunction. And, as explained above, Plaintiffs would be irreparably harmed if the temporary restraining order were to expire before it could be converted into a preliminary injunction. Therefore, in addition to regular service of the complaint, summons, motion and orders under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 and 5, service by e-mail would ensure prompt notice to Defendants and would be reasonably calculated to provide sufficient and adequate notice to Defendants.

IV. CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing points and authorities, Plaintiffs have shown that they meet either of the two alternative tests developed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit for entitlement to injunctive relief. Plaintiffs have demonstrated that success as to each of the Relevant Claims is, at the very least, probable. Alternatively, Plaintiffs have raised serious questions and

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1 shown that the balance of hardships tips in their favor. Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectively request
2 that the Court grant their Motions for a Temporary Restraining Order and for a Preliminary
3 Injunction pending adjudication of this matter on the merits.

4 DATED: 30th day of October, 2013.

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HAKKASAN LIMITED, a foreign
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VIP, UNLTD, LLC, a Nevada limited
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ROCKWELL, an individual,

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Case No.: 2:13-cv-1999-JCM-NJK

**DECLARATION OF LAURI S.
THOMPSON IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFF'S *EX PARTE* APPLICATION
FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING
ORDER AND MOTION FOR
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

I, Lauri S. Thompson, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the facts contained herein are of my personal knowledge, and if called upon, I could and would competently testify to them.

1. I am a shareholder with Greenberg Traurig, LLP, counsel for Plaintiffs in the above-referenced matter.

1 2. This declaration is submitted in support of Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Application for
2 Temporary Restraining Order and Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

3 3. On September 19, 2013, I sent a cease and desist letter to Defendant Andrew
4 Rockwell concerning the Defendants' trademark infringement and other wrongful conduct, and
5 demanded they immediately cease use of the Plaintiffs' trademarks, and to remove all content
6 concerning the Hakkasan Las Vegas Nightclub from their website. The letter to Mr. Rockwell was
7 sent to the contact information provided in the Whois record for
8 www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com.

9 4. On October 1, 2013, I received a phone call from Defendant Andrew Rockwell who
10 stated that he was not going to cease use of the www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com domain name
11 in relation to a website concerning Plaintiffs' nightclub.

12 Executed this 30th day of October, 2013.

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15 /s/ Lauri S. Thompson
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**DECLARATION OF LARAIN M. I.
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PLAINTIFFS' *EX PARTE* APPLICATION
FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING
ORDER**

I, LARAIN M. I. BURRELL, ESQ., declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the facts contained herein are of my personal knowledge, and if called upon, I could and would competently testify to them.

1. I am an associate with Greenberg Traurig, LLP, counsel for Plaintiffs in the above-referenced matter.

2. This Declaration is submitted in support of Plaintiff's *ex parte* Application for Temporary Restraining Order.

3. Greenberg Traurig, LLP has filed hundreds of anti-cybersquatting actions since the

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1 passage of the Anti-cybersquatting Consumer Protection Act (the "ACPA"), 15 U.S.C. §
2 1125(d)(1)(A), and I personally have been involved in filing numerous anti-cybersquatting actions.

3 4. An *ex parte* Temporary Restraining Order has been requested in each anti-
4 cybersquatting action I have been involved in.

5 5. Following the passage of the ACPA, plaintiffs quickly realized that providing notice
6 to the Defendant of the lawsuit before the domain name in question was beyond the Defendant's
7 immediate grasp resulted in the Defendant transferring that domain name to another registrant and/or
8 another registrar. Such action by the Defendant negates the court's jurisdiction and requires the
9 filing of a second lawsuit after the Plaintiff spends additional time and fees locating the domain
10 name.

11 6. In the instant matter, Defendant registered and is using in bad faith the domain name
12 <hakkasanightclubvegas.com> (the "Infringing Domain Name").

13 7. The Infringing Domain Name incorporates the Plaintiff parent company's registered
14 trademarks.

15 8. Plaintiffs are seeking an *ex parte* Temporary Restraining Order from this Court.

16 9. Plaintiffs require the Temporary Restraining Order to be granted *ex parte* because as
17 soon as Defendant receives notice of this action, he could easily and nearly instantaneously transfer
18 the registration of the Infringing Domain Name from the current registrar to any number of other
19 registrars located outside the United States as well as to other registrants unwilling to abide by this
20 Court's orders.

21 10. If Defendant transfers the Infringing Domain Name prior to the hearing on the
22 Application for Temporary Restraining Order, Plaintiffs would be deprived of the ability to recover
23 registration of the Infringing Domain Name and the ability to enforce their intellectual property
24 rights.

25 11. Therefore, notice to the Defendant prior to the locking and transfer of the domain
26 name, as requested in the Application for Temporary Restraining Order would result in irreparable
27 injury to Plaintiff.

28 12. Because notice to the Defendant would result in immediate irreparable injury to the

1 Plaintiff, the Plaintiff has made no effort to notify the Defendant of its request for a Temporary
2 Restraining Order.

3 13. The documents attached as Exhibits are the original documents or true and accurate
4 copies of the original documents and are what they purport to be.

5 DATED: October 30, 2013.

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**DECLARATION OF JAMES
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I, James Brucculeri, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the facts contained herein are of my personal knowledge, and if called upon, I could and would competently testify to them.

1. This declaration is submitted in support of Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

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1 2. I am a Director of Plaintiff Hakkasan LV, LLC ("Plaintiff") and I have been a
 2 Director since February 2013.

3 3. Plaintiff is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Hakkasan Limited ("Hakkasan
 4 Parent").

5 4. Plaintiff owns and operates Hakkasan, a premier nightclub and restaurant venue
 6 located inside the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino on the Las Vegas Strip ("Hakkasan Las Vegas").

7 5. Hakkasan Parent also owns and/or operates, either directly or through its subsidiary
 8 companies, several other Hakkasan restaurants around the globe, including Dubai, London, New
 9 York, San Francisco and Miami.

10 6. Hakkasan Las Vegas encompasses approximately 80,000 square feet of restaurant,
 11 nightclub and lounge space. This venue features a modern Cantonese restaurant headed up by a
 12 Michelin-starred chef, a 55,000 square foot nightclub featuring elaborate cocktail lounges and a
 13 garden pavilion with a two-story waterfall. In addition, Plaintiff has booked some of the most
 14 famous DJ's in the world to perform at Hakkasan Las Vegas, including Tiësto, Calvin Harris, and
 15 Steve Aoki.

16 7. Hakkasan Parent owns the mark HAKKASAN in connection with, among other
 17 things, restaurant, bar and nightclub services. In particular, Hakkasan Parent owns a federal
 18 trademark registration (U.S. Reg. No. 3,789,248) for HAKKASAN for bar and restaurant services
 19 and a pending trademark application (U.S. Ser. No. 85/928057) for nightclubs, nightclub services
 20 in the nature of reservation and booking services for the purpose of arranging for admission to
 21 nightclubs, and related services (the "HAKKASAN Marks").

22 8. Plaintiff is a licensee of the HAKKASAN Marks in connection with its ownership
 23 and operation of Hakkasan Las Vegas.

24 9. Neither Hakkasan Parent's federal trademark registration nor its pending trademark
 25 application has been abandoned, canceled or revoked.

26 10. Since opening the original HAKKASAN in 2001 and its first US location in 2009,
 27 Hakkasan Parent and its predecessors-in-interest, have used the HAKKASAN Marks in connection
 28 with advertising and promoting its restaurants in the United States and around the world. As a

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1 licensee of the HAKKASAN Marks, Plaintiff has used the HAKKASAN Marks to promote its Las
 2 Vegas restaurant and nightclub services in the United States and around the world since 2012.

3 11. The HAKKASAN name and mark is an internationally recognized and respected
 4 name in the restaurant and nightlife industry.

5 12. Plaintiff has spent millions of dollars to advertise and promote the HAKKASAN
 6 Marks in print, broadcast media and on the Internet through its website, accessible throughout the
 7 United States and around the world at <hakkasanlv.com>. A true and correct copy of the home
 8 page for Plaintiff's website is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

9 13. In addition, Plaintiff has made extensive use of the HAKKASAN Marks on, among
 10 other things, signage, billboards and promotional materials.

11 14. Based on its federal trademark registration, pending federal trademark application and
 12 extensive use, Hakkasan Parent owns the exclusive right to use its HAKKASAN Marks in
 13 connection with restaurant, bar, nightclub and related services.

14 15. As a licensee of the HAKKASAN Marks, Plaintiff is entitled to the exclusive right to
 15 use the HAKKASAN Marks in Las Vegas, Nevada in connection with restaurant, bar and
 16 nightclub services and is entitled to enforce its rights against Defendants.

17 16. The uniqueness of Hakkasan Las Vegas, along with the extensive advertising and
 18 promotion of Hakkasan Las Vegas have resulted in the HAKKASAN name and mark being
 19 distinctive and famous for bar, restaurant and nightclub services.

20 17. Plaintiff's HAKKASAN Marks were famous prior to Defendants' use of Plaintiff's
 21 marks in connection with its nightclub and nightlife activities.

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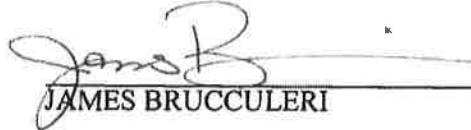
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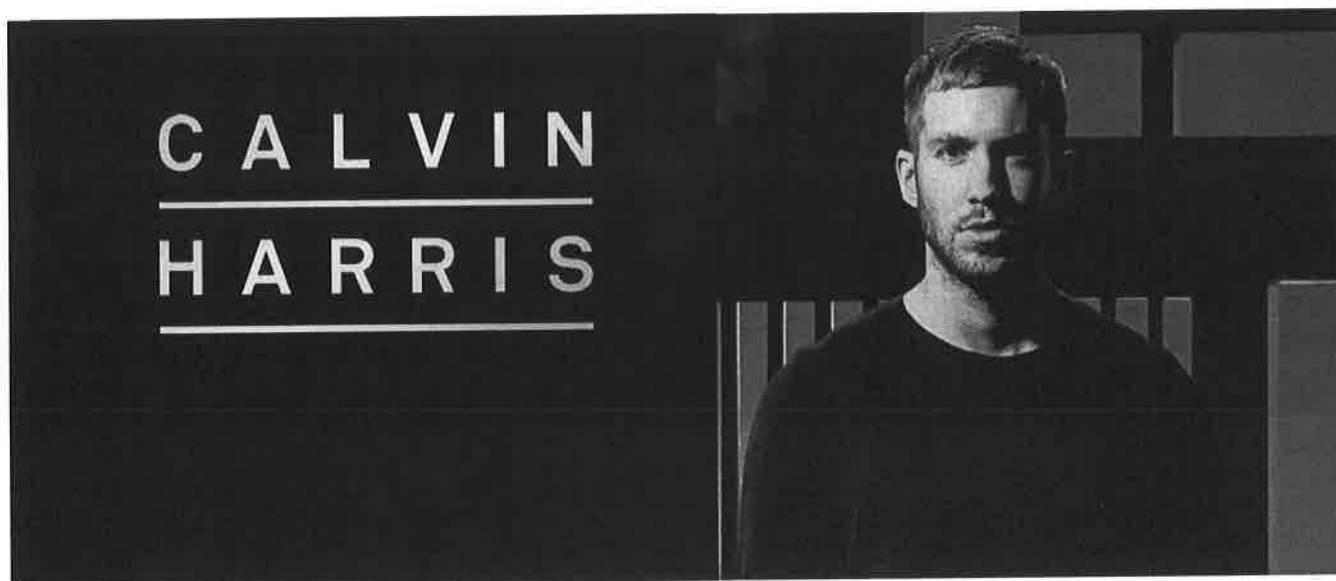
1 18. No other entities are legitimately using the HAKKASAN Marks to promote or
2 provide restaurant and nightclub services in Las Vegas, Nevada. Further, Plaintiff continuously
3 takes steps to ensure that any infringing uses of its marks cease immediately.

4 Executed this 30th day of October, 2013.

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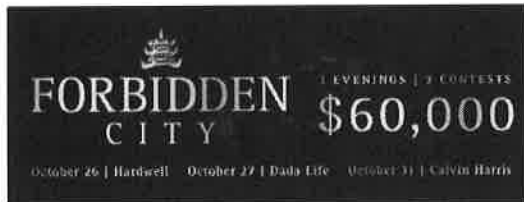
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Tommy Trash – Let's get "Trashed"

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Fist in the air and unmistakable locks at large, Tommy Trash is not your stereotypical Dance icon. With an armory of his own carefully created anthems, he has thrown to one side the clean-shaven image of EDM idols.



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Dada Life at Hakkasan Nightclub October 27th

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Tiësto at Hakkasan Nightclub October 25th

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NERVO at Hakkasan Nightclub October 24th

October 24, 2013

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General inquiries email:

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Location

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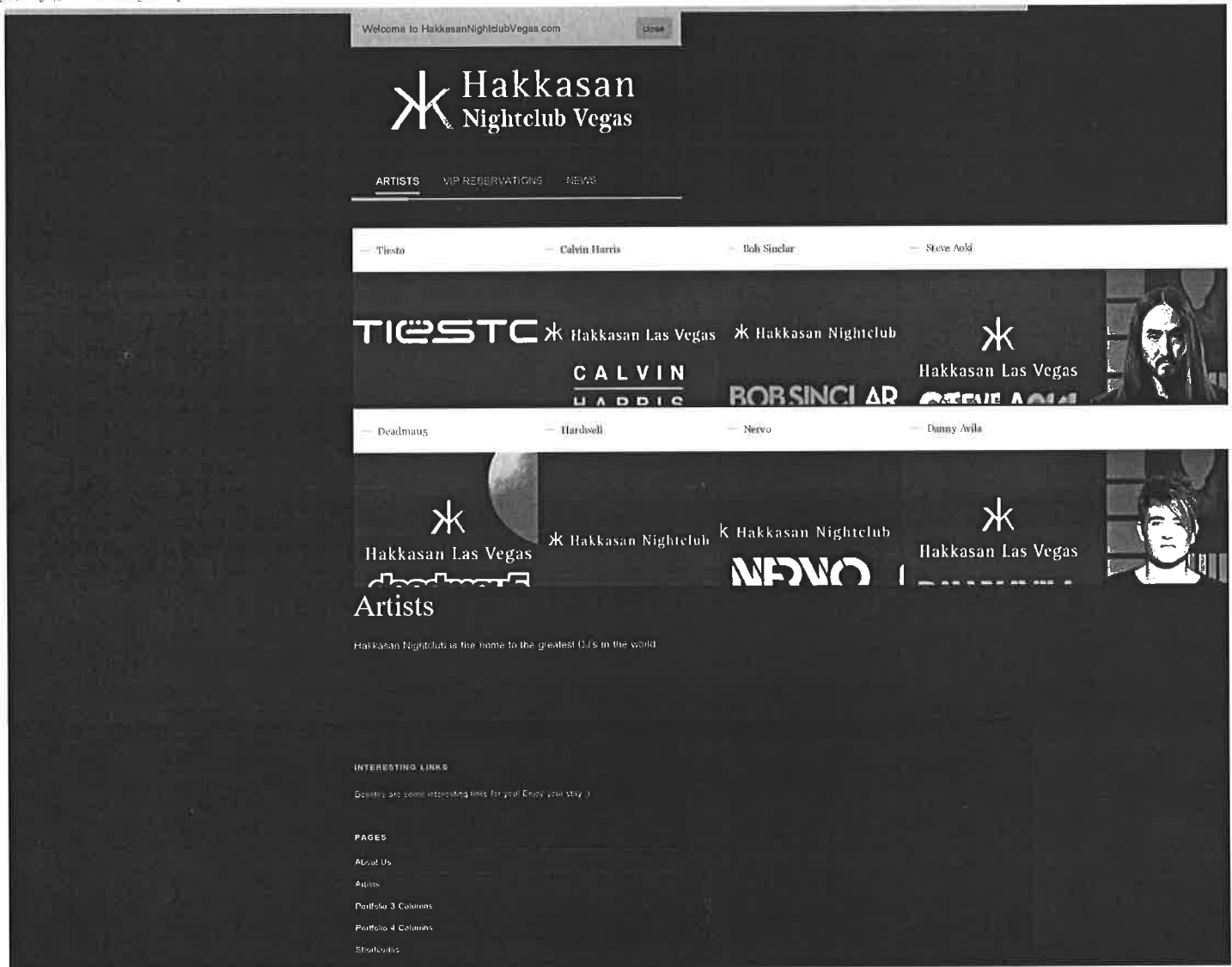
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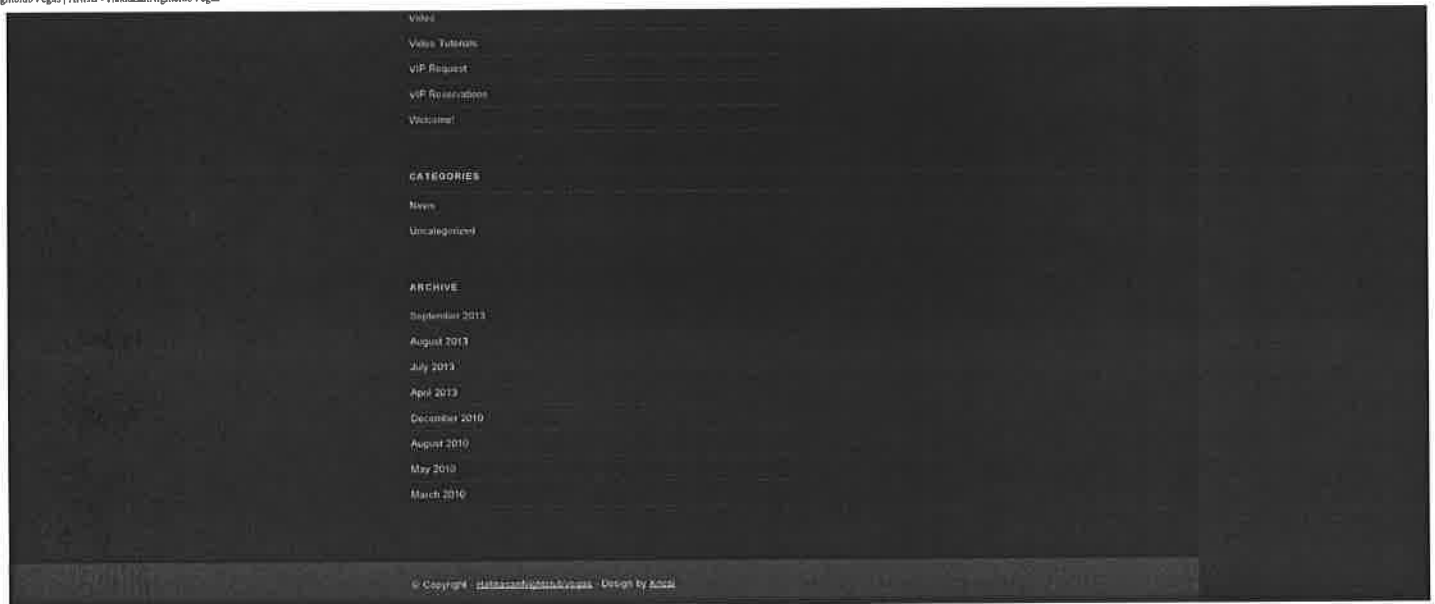
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SEPTEMBER 7, 2013

Hakkasan Nightclub and Restaurant is the new age Las Vegas

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Hakkasan Nightclub and Restaurant is the new age Las Vegas. Forget about the glamour and charm of old Las Vegas and give in to the temptation of the new age Vegas with the Hakkasan Restaurant & Nightclub. This is the place that can easily sweep you [...]

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off your feet and make your feel like the world is under your giant self. This space boasts of the most modern ambience that has a touch of the classical Las Vegas Hakkasan Nightclub. There is a club, a wonderful restaurant and some great services that will make your experience in Vegas the best.

The space is composed of five individual locales. The first is the Hakkasan restaurant which is ably supported by the most sought after

places in the area i.e. The Ling Ling lounge and the Ling Ling nightclub. If you move up, you will find Rehab, the primary nightclub which is followed by the floor dedicated to the creative musical geniuses or the Resident DJs. Finally, there is the space for sky suites and special bars available to special peoples and parties only.

To get tickets for events at Hakkasan please click this [link](#).

SEPTEMBER 7, 2013

Hakkasan Las Vegas Hosts Meet and Greet With Turntable Star Steve Aoki Today



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Hakkasan Las Vegas and MGM Grand Hotel & Casino will welcome DJ superstar Steve Aoki when he hosts a special meet and greet at Grand & Company, located in the main lobby of MGM Grand, today, Aug. 4 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Known for his energetic and [...]

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captivating "Neon Future" parties at Hakkasan Nightclub, Aoki will gather with his devoted fans for an intimate T-shirt signing.

Electronic music aficionados who purchase one of Aoki's custom shirts will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet the icon and take home an exclusive autographed tee. With their shirt purchase, guests also will receive a wristband providing complimentary entry into Hakkasan Nightclub that evening to experience Aoki's heart-pumping performance first-hand.

The nightclub at Hakkasan Las Vegas is the bold evolution of the prestigious global restaurant brand into an all-encompassing nightlife experience. A collaboration between celebrated international dining group Hakkasan Ltd. and leading entertainment and nightlife company Angel Management Group, the nightclub features creative partnerships with premier musical talent across various genres who have tailored their performances to suit the unique capabilities of the venue and compliment their own versatile styles. Hakkasan Nightclub offers a diverse nightlife experience with a variety of areas and atmospheres, cutting-edge technology and inspired design immersed in three levels of refined decadence.

AUGUST 27, 2013

Calvin Harris is top of the DJs

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Harris has been named as the top earning DJ
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AUGUST 27, 2013

Hakkasan Evolution: Growing From Las Vegas Megaclub To Global Lifestyle Brand



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Hakkasan CEO Neil Moffitt says the company's Las Vegas club is only the beginning of its expansion plans. (Photo courtesy of Angel Management Group) In April, one of Las Vegas' newest dance venues, Hakkasan, opened with its fair share of superlatives. Branded as the largest nightclub in the nation, [...]

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Haute Event: Nas Performs at Hakkasan for the Hudson and Creative Recreation After-Party



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Nas performs at Hakkasan. Photos: Al Powers/Powers Imagery LLC Hakkasan at the MGM Grand was home to the official Hudson and Creative Recreation after-party during MAGIC. For the first time in

Hakkasan history, the main room of the nightlife mecca was transformed into an open-format destination, welcoming a never-before-seen performance [...]

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Hakkasan and the big, bigger, biggest

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Could a 100,000-square-foot nightclub complex eventually land on the Las Vegas Strip? Five years ago, that number would've seemed preposterous. Pure Nightclub sprawled across 36,000 square feet at Caesars Palace and the newly opened XS dominated 40,000 square feet of indoor/outdoor space at Encore. Those were the heavyweights of [...]

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of their day. Then came Marquee Nightclub & Dayclub inside The Cosmopolitan on New Year's Eve 2010 and suddenly 62,000 was the number to beat. So what would it take to top out at 100,000 square feet? Probably some combination of nightclub, dayclub and restaurant, although even that trifecta might not be enough. Hakkasan emerged at a staggering 80,000 square feet of nightclub and restaurant sets the bar for sheer size on the Strip. By comparison, Tao, which comprises Tao Asian Bistro, Tao Nightclub and Tao Beach at The Venetian, is "only" 60,000 square feet, and you could play a pretty lengthy game of hide-and-seek in there.

Bigger is becoming the standard, but what will it take build out 100,000

square feet? Probably some combination of nightclub, dayclub and restaurant, although even that trifecta might not be enough. So, what then? A nightclub/dayclub/restaurant/concert venue? Nightclub/dayclub/restaurant/boutique hotel? What would it take? Only time will tell. And judging by how easy it's been to fill Hakkasan on a good night, even 100,000 might not be big enough.

AUGUST 27, 2013

TJR Gets Funky in Las Vegas



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Even your mother has heard of TJR. His track “Funky Vodka” got reworked by Pitbull as “Don’t Stop The Party” and became an international hit that gets played everywhere from major league baseball games to high school dances to “Today” show interludes. This summer, the L.A.-based producer [...]

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(full name T.J. Rozdilsky) has been spending time with another chart-topper, Calvin Harris, who he joins regularly now at Hakkasan Las Vegas for several of Harris's residency dates. "I was a bit intimidated playing at Hakkasan at first because it's so intense," Rozdilsky says of his first time playing with Harris. "I thought it was ladies night 'cause I've never seen so many girls in a club before. Calvin's pull is quite impressive."

His next visit to Sin City's megalith nightclub is this weekend (August 24), where he'll be armed with his now-standby hits as well as his new tune, "What's Up Suckaz," out now on Chris Lake's Rising Music.

AUGUST 27, 2013

Where to party in Vegas during Labor Day weekend

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In Las Vegas, the last days of summer feature some of the best daylife and nightlife action of the year. So what's in store for visitors this Labor Day weekend (Aug. 29 – Sept. 2)? **Hakkasan at the MGM Grand**—The hot Asian-inspired nightlife mecca has an A-list Labor Day weekend in store for guests. In the club's main room, the turntables will be manned by **Steve Aoki** on Aug. 29, **Hardwell** on Aug. 30 and **Calvin Harris** with **Michael Woods** on Aug. 31. Grammy Award-nominated musician **Moby**, who is releasing his 11th studio album, "Innocents," in October, will perform a special DJ set on Sept. 1. In Hakkasan's laid-back Ling Ling Club, you can also enjoy sounds spun by **Sid Vicious** on Aug. 29, **Ruckus** on Aug. 30 and **DJ Irie** on Aug. 31.

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Wet Republic at MGM Grand—A lineup of top-tier DJs is ready to provide a Labor Day weekend filled with unparalleled music: **Tommy Trash** and **R3hab** on Aug. 30, **Calvin Harris** on Aug. 31, **Tiësto** with **Bingo Players** on Sept. 1 and **Steve Aoki** on Sept. 2.

AUGUST 23, 2013

Hakkasan Las Vegas Hosts MAGIC Party with Live Performance by Nas...



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On Tuesday, August 20, celebrated hot spot Hakkasan Las Vegas at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino was home to the official Hudson and Creative Recreation after-party during

the fashion tradeshow in Las Vegas, MAGIC
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For the first time in Hakkasan history, the main room of the nightlife mecca was transformed into an open-format destination, welcoming a never-before-seen



performance by GRAMMY Award-nominated artist Nas. At 2 am, the rap phenomenon took over the stage and immediately jumped on top of the DJ booth to perform his chart-topping hits including "If I Ruled The World," "Made You Look" and "You Can Hate Me Now." Nas ended his energetic show-stopping performance with an impromptu freestyle inspired by the energy of the night leaving fans wanting more.

Throughout the night, renowned SKAM Artists including DJs Crooked, D-Nice, Fashen, Homicide, Five and Irie took turns manning the decks pumping up the crowd while spinning their hard-hitting tracks for over 5,000 partygoers.

AUGUST 23, 2013

Star-Studded Evening Brings Kellan Lutz,
Henry Cavill and Ryan Lochte to Hakkasan

Nightclub...



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On Sunday, August 18, “Twilight” star Kellan Lutz , new “Superman: Man of Steel” hero Henry Cavill and US Olympian Ryan Lochte , were spotted at the nightclub at Hakkasan Las Vegas at MGM Grand (Photo credit: Al Powers of Powers Imagery) . Kellan Lutz arrived around 1 a.m. [...]

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In town for the MAGIC Convention with his clothing brand Abbot +Main, Lutz appeared to be in a very mellow, but upbeat mood. The group was spotted at a VIP booth located on the main stage, sipping cocktails and beer, seeming to really enjoy themselves and extremely appreciative of the service and hospitality they received.

Also spotted in the club's Main Room was “Super-hunk” Henry Cavill, seen drinking and dancing into the night with a group of friends as top-tier DJ Danny Avila spun his hits to the masses. In addition to the star-studded evening, world-renowned electronic music sensation Tiësto

stopped by to spend time with his turntable pal Avila in the iconic DJ booth.

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CEO & President · Las Vegas, Nevada · In Mar 2011


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September 19, 2013

VIA REGISTERED EMAIL: andrewrockwell@gmail.com
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Mr. Andrew Rockwell
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RE: Hakkasan – Your Domain and Trademark Infringement
<hakkasannightclubvegas.com>
Our Reference: 145472.NEW

Dear Mr. Rockwell:

This firm represents Hakkasan LV Limited ("Hakkasan") in connection with various intellectual property matters. Hakkasan is the owner of the mark HAKKASAN for, among other things, restaurant and bar services (the "HAKKASAN Mark"). In particular, Hakkasan owns United States trademark registration 3,789,248, and pending trademark application no. 85/928057, for night clubs; night club services in the nature of reservation and booking services for the purpose of arranging for admission to night clubs and related services. A copy of the registration certificate is also attached herewith.

We have determined that the domain name www.hakkasannightclubvegas.com (the "Infringing Domain Name") contains Hakkasan's mark, and is being used to host a page entitled "Hakkasan Nightclub Vegas" with the subtitle "Welcome to HakkasanNightclubVegas.comYour source for the most up to date developments about your favorite Vegas mega-club." Your page invites users to submit personal information to request bottle service. This domain name implies affiliation and/or endorsement by the actual Hakkasan nightclub at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, Nevada.

As a trademark owner, we believe that the use identified herein constitutes an infringement of Hakkasan's rights and amounts to a violation of the Anti-Cybersquatting Consumer Protection Act. In order to protect its rights, Hakkasan has a duty to monitor and prevent confusingly similar uses of its trademarks in commerce. Hakkasan believes that your registration and use of domain names incorporating its trademarks together with terms related to the gaming services it

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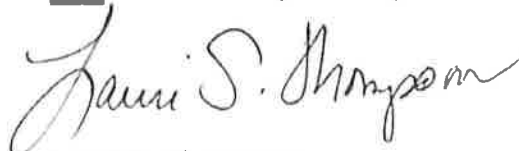
provides, have infringed upon Hakkasan's intellectual property rights. We demand that your infringing activities cease immediately.

It is of the utmost importance to our client that the public not be confused about any affiliation between its business activities and the activities of others. Our client would like to resolve this simply by having you take the necessary steps to transfer the above-listed domain names, and any others you might have incorporating the terms Hakkasan to our client. Furthermore, Hakkasan also requires that you remove any reference from anywhere else you may have used the trademarks. We will need your subsequent written confirmation that this has been completed.

We thank you in anticipation of your cooperation and prompt response by tomorrow or by **September 24th 2013**, at the latest. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns related to this matter.

Sincerely,

 GreenbergTraurig



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